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**From:** Vandenberg, John  
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Interesting.  
Interesting day.  
We're done for now but Tom has me on call if needed this weekend.

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> On Aug 14, 2015, at 9:16 PM, "Cote, Ila" <Cote.Ila@epa.gov> wrote:

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> In talking to Rob he believes that much of the wastewater from the Gold King mine is actually overflow from a neighboring mine (Sunny Side mine) based on chemical composition. The wastewater released from Gold King was ~ 3 million, Guestimates on backed up water from Sunny Side is ~ 6 billion gallons (yes the b word) (it swallowed a lake in its history). You all might want to think about it.

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